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- 2. Plaintiffs filed their Complaint on September 24, 2007. Since then, Plaintiffs have sought diligently to serve all of the Defendants.
- 3. Plaintiffs have hired a process server company and a private detective in an effort to complete service on all Defendants. On September 27, 2007, the private detective, Glen Alberigi, served Wei-Man Raymond Tse in the lobby of 555 Montgomery Street in San Francisco, by handing him the Summons, Complaint, and other suit papers. Mr. Tse attempted to refuse the papers, but Mr. Alberigi put the papers under Mr. Tse's right arm, and walked away. (See Declaration of Personal Service of Glen Alberigi at 1 (Docket No. 6).) According to Mr. Alberigi, Mr. Tse then dropped the documents on the floor, in a fruitless attempt to avoid service. (See Declaration of Christopher Cooke Regarding Service on Wei-Man "Raymond Tse" at 3 (Docket No. 7).)
- 4. Plaintiffs have reported to me that after service of the Summons and Complaint, the other individual Defendants stopped coming into the office at 555 Montgomery Street, including Theresa Wong and James Yu.
- 5. The process server company, Specialized Legal Services, Inc. ("Specialized"), was able to serve Defendant Jian Xiao at his home on October 1, 2007.
- 6. It was necessary to track down Defendant Victor So at the Legendary Palace, a restaurant that he frequents, in order to serve him there. Service was completed by Specialized on October 5, 2007.
- 7. Specialized served Defendant Molly Lau through a co-occupant of her home on October 10, 2007.
- 8. Specialized attempted to serve Defendants Bill Shu Wai Ma, Christ Investment Service Inc., and CIS Service Inc. from September through November 2007 at his home. Mr. Ma is the registered agent for service of process for Christ Investment Service Inc., and CIS Service Inc. A Specialized representative, Martin Horwitz, told me that the Specialized process servers were having trouble completing the service. On September 25, 2007, a man at Mr. Ma's address and fitting the description of Mr. Ma refused to receive the documents and denied being Mr. Ma, stating his name was "Dick Wong." On 12 other occasions, the Specialized Process

Servers found no one at home. Finally, on December 2, 2007, a woman answered the door, who refused to give her identity, but took the papers from the Specialized process server, and Specialized mailed the documents to Mr. Ma after having left them with his co-occupant.

- 9. Mr. Horwitz told me that despite frequent visits to Defendants' offices at 555 Montgomery Street and the address in the Secretary of State's records for South China Investment Inc. ("South China"), Specialized process servers were unable to find Defendants Theresa Wong, James Yu, or Run Ping Zhou, the registered agent for service of process for South China, or serve anyone at Defendants' offices who would be willing to take the suit papers.
- 10. When Plaintiffs found the whereabouts of Run Ping Zhou, a second process server company, Guaranteed Subpoena Service, Inc. ("Guaranteed"), handed the suit papers to Ms. Zhou at her home in Cameron Park. Guaranteed reported to me, however, that Ms. Zhou denied that she is the person known as Flora Zhou, an alias that she has used in the past. Service was completed on December 7, 2007.
- 11. The private detective's attempts to track down Ms. Wong have not been successful to date. Plaintiffs reported that Ms. Wong has made two trips out of the country since Mr. Tse was served, and that she is currently out of the county.
- 12. Plaintiffs believe that Mr. Yu works at the California Department of Motor Vehicles ("DMV"), but the DMV will not give counsel Mr. Yu's contact information without a subpoena.
- 13. In summary, as of the date of this Declaration, Plaintiffs have served and filed returns of service for the following defendants: Wei-Man Raymond Tse, Run Ping Zhou a.k.a. Flora Zhou, Bill Shu Wai Ma, Molly Lau, Victor So, Jian Xiao, Christ Investment Service Inc., CIS Service Inc., and South China Investment Inc. They are preparing a return of service for Pacific Best Group Ltd. a.k.a. Pacific Best Company Ltd. based on service on Mr. Tse and the fact that he is the general manager of the company.
 - 14. The only remaining unserved defendants are Theresa Wong and James Yu.